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BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND.....\$1,400,000 Dollars.

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Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
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LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credit granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, August 16, 1879.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.
(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION of 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....\$3,200,000.
RESERVE FUND.....\$800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGERE,
PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at
LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO,
MARSEILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG,
LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW,
NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT,
Manager, Shanghai.
Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
At 3 months' notice 3% per Annum.
" 6 " 4% " "
" 12 " 5% " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,
Acting Manager.
Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

Banks.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL.....\$800,000.
RESERVE FUND.....\$150,000.

Bankers.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. "

" 12 " 5 per cent. "

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

" 6 " 4 per cent. "

" 3 " 2 per cent. "

H. N. NELSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Registered in London under the Companies' Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1866.

Established in Calcutta 29th September, 1863.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....\$933,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$465,250.
RESERVE FUND.....\$20,000.

HEAD OFFICE—39A, THREADNEEDLE STREET, LONDON, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:—

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND.

NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

All descriptions of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

INTEREST allowed on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balances; and on FIXED DEPOSITS according to arrangement—the maximum rate being 5 per cent. per annum.

R. H. SANDEMAN,
Manager.

Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

MISSES ELOI A MAY will give a PERFORMANCE for ONE NIGHT ONLY,

TO-MORROW EVENING,

SATURDAY, Dec. 20th, 1879,

being her

FAREWELL TO THE EAST, assisted by

THE EMINENT TRAGEDIAN

M. B. FAIRCLOUGH.

For Particulars, in future Advertisement.

DUNCAN MACALLUM, Agent.

Hongkong, December 19, 1879.

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THEATRE ROYAL,

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB will perform

SHERIDAN'S COMEDY

"SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL"

AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE,

On the EVENING of MONDAY,

the 29th INSTANT.

Seats may be secured at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, or and after WEDNESDAY, the 24th Instant.

Hongkong, December 18, 1879.

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THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY

will perform

"THE SORCERER"

AT THE CITY HALL THEATRE,

On THURSDAY,

the 8th January, at 9 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased and places secured at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, or and after SATURDAY, the 3rd Proximo.

W. WHEELER,

Bon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 17, 1879.

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For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAVE just RECEIVED their Usual ASSORTMENT of CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS, Comprising:—
GLOVE and HANDKERCHIEF BOXES.
JEWELRY BOXES and SCENT CABINETS.
LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S DRESSING CASES.
LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S DRESSING BAGS.
Handsome Presentation INKSTANDS.
CIGAR and CIGARETTE CASES.
Handsomely Painted FLOWER VASES.
NOVELTIES in Electro-plated Ware, suitable for Presents.

Handsomely Bound and Illustrated GIFT BOOKS, Comprising:—

SWITZERLAND ILLUSTRATED.

WOODLAND ROMANCE.

THE BIRD, by JULES MICHELET.

THE INSECT, by JULES MICHELET.

THE BIRD WORLD.

THE EPIC OF HADES.

A Large Assortment of Newest GIFT BOOKS for Boys and Girls.

CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR CARDS, the Latest Novelties.

Elegantly Dressed FRENCH DOLLS.

DOLL'S PORTMANTEAUX, completely fitted.

SWIMMING and WASHING DOLLS.

MECHANICAL TOYS, in Great Variety.

DOLLS' PERAMBULATORS.

PUZZLES, GAMES, BRICKS.

HORSES and CARTS, WHEEL-BARROWS.

DRUMS, TRUMPETS, GUNS and SWORDS.

THE PRESENT SEASON'S NOVELTIES in COSAQUES, Comprising:—

HELEN'S BABIES' CRACKERS, PICTORIAL.

INCOCNITA, COMICAL and CLUB CRACKERS.

BELLES of the SEASON, &c., &c., &c.

PAINT BOXES.

CHRISTMAS CAKES and PLUM PUDDINGS.

FRENCH PLUMS. BLOOM MUSCATELS.

CRYSTALLIZED CHOCOLATE BONBONS.

CHOCOLATE in Pretty Boxes, for Presents.

FRENCH BONBONS, DRAGEES.

FRUITS in Noyau. JUJUBES.

SMIRNA FIGS. BRAZIL NUTS.

BAEOLONA ALMONDS.

CHAMPAGNES, LIQUEURS, &c., &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer

"SOMERSET"

will be despatched as above

on SATURDAY, the 27th Inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, December 12, 1879.

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FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE CHINA MAIL.

For Sale.

CHRISTMAS STORES.

—:-

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
BEG to call attention to the following
New Supply of STORES, which
they have Received.

Ex "GORDON CASTLE,"
And Other Recent Arrivals.

CHRISTMAS CAKES, 4-lb., 5-lb. and
6-lb. each.

CHRISTMAS PLUM PUDDINGS.

Pure AMERICAN CANDIES.

Pure SCOTCH CANDIES.

DRAGEES. ALMONDS.

Fancy CHOCOLATES.

MASSEON'S CHOCOLATE CREAMS.

NOUGATINES.

Crystallized METZ FRUITS.

New Designs in COSAQUES.

"CETEWATO'S HAT BOX."

"MARQUEE'S JEWEL CASKET."

"GRANDMA'S BONNET BOX."

"EDWIN and ANGELINA,"
etc., etc., &c.

SMYRNA FIGS.

Muscated BLOOM RAISINS.

JORDAN ALMONDS.

BRAZIL NUTS.

PECAN NUTS.

HICKORY NUTS.

Cooking and Table PRUNES.

Pudding RAISINS and CURRANTS.

Candied PEEL.

MINCemeAT in 1-lb. tins.

VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.

CARAWAY SEEDS.

SCHWARTZER'S COCOATINA.

American CREAM CHEESE.

SAP SAGE CHEESE.

LIMBURG CHEESE.

PINE APPLE CHEESE.

HAM TONGUE & CHICKEN SAUSAGE.

WESTPHALIAN, BOLOGNA, OXFORD, and

TRUFFLED SAUSAGES.

GAME PIES.

Potted MEATS.

Prime Yorkshire HAMS.

Prime Wiltshire BACON in tins & Canvas.

Pickled OX-TONGUES.

OX-TONGUES in JELLY.

TRUFFLES.

CALIFORNIA ROLL BUTTER.

Cutting's Canned DESSERT FRUITS.

HUNTLING & PALMER'S BISCUITS.

CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s GINGER CAKES.

MILK BISCUITS.

ALPHABET BISCUITS.

OYSTER BISCUITS.

WAFER BISCUITS.

SODA BISCUITS.

First-class and Medium CHAMPAGNES,
Pints and Quarts.

HOCK.

SAUTERNES.

CLARET.

Fine Old Pale PORT, 1848.

SACCOONE'S Pale Dry SHERRY.

Do. Amontillado SHERRY.

LA GRANDE MARQUE CHARTREUSE,
Pints and Quarts.

MARASCHINO DE ZARA.

CURACAO.

Fine Old BOURBON WHISKY.

SCOTCH and IRISH WHISKIES.

BASS'S ALE Bottled by CAMERON and

SANDERS, Pints and Quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT Bottled by E. & J.
BUKEE, Pints and Quarts.

Specially Selected CIGARS.

Princess CHEROOTS.

Cavite CHEROOTS.

Princess CIGARS.

Cavite CIGARS.

Arcores CIGARS.

Vegueror CIGARS.

Choice No. 1 Fortin CIGARS in Boxes
of 100.

Choice No. 3 Melasig CHEROOTS.

Choice No. 3 Fortin CIGARS.

PRESENTATION BOOKS.

SCIENTIFIC WORKS.

WORKS of REFERENCE.

SCHOOL BOOKS.

CHILDREN'S STORY BOOKS.

CHILDREN'S TOY BOOKS.

NOVELS:

ATLASSES.

HISTORIES.

DICTIONARIES.

OLLENPOFF'S METHOD for Learning
FRENCH and SPANISH.

DR. AHN'S METHOD for Learning GER-
MAN and FRENCH.

ASHER'S MODEL BOOKS of FOREIGN
COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

GERMAN, FRENCH and SPANISH.

"NORTH CHINA HERALD" DATE
BLOCK for 1880.

NEW SEASON'S PRESENT TEA, in 5 and
10 Catty Boxes.

Hongkong, December 15, 1879.

For Sale.

J. NOBLE,
JEWELLER & WATCHMAKER,
HAS just RECEIVED a FINE
SELECTION OF

GOLD and SILVER JEWELLERY,
in the Newest Designs.
MORAN'S GOLD and SILVER PEN and
PENCIL CASES, SILVER CUPS,
And many NOVELTIES, Suitable for
Christmas and New Year's Presents.

8, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, December 16, 1879. de30

NOW READY,
PRICE, \$1.50.

COMPARATIVE CHINESE FAMILY LAW,
By E. H. PARKER.
Can be obtained from KELLY & WALSH
at Shanghai and Hongkong, at LANE,
CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, and at the
China Mail Office.

Hongkong, December 6, 1879.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public
Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 22nd December, 1879, at 2 o'clock
p.m., at his Auction Sales Rooms, Ped-
dar's Wharf,—

An Invoice of Choice JAPAN
WARE, comprising: Satauma, Kanga,
and Yeddo Ware, viz., Handsomely
Decorated Vases of assorted sizes and
shapes, Bowls, Card Trays, Dejeuner,
Tea and Coffee Sets, &c., &c.

Best quality Lacquer and Tortoise-
Shell Ware, comprising: Cabinets, Work
Boxes, Tea Caddies, Cigar and Glove
Boxes, Writing Desks, etc., etc.

Bronze and Enamelled Vases, Orna-
ments, &c., &c.

Also,
A Collection of OLD CHINA POR-
CELAİN, such as Vases, Bowls, Plates,
etc., etc.

The above will be on view on SATUR-
DAY NEXT.

TERMS—Cash on delivery.

G. R. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, Dec. 18, 1879. de22

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

BRITISH SHIP BELTED WILL,
FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
Vessel are hereby requested to send
in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned
for countersignature, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 1, 1879. tf

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills of
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery.
This Cargo has been landed and stored at
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ex Admirer.

D M & Co. 245/8, Order, 4 cases Mer-
(in heart) chandise, from London.

K W 11 Messrs Kelly and Walsh, 1 case
Books, from Marseilles.

S P Order, 145 bags Sharp Stone, from
Madras.

J J Mr J. J. Lautier, 2 cases Merchan-
dise, from Saigon.

G. de CHAMPAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, December 18, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned will not be RESPON-
SIBLE for any ACCIDENT contracted
in his Name, unless a written authority,
duly Signed by him, be produced.

JOHN LAWRENCE,

2nd Officer, Str. Powan.

Hongkong, December 15, 1879. de22

NOTICE.

WE Have authorized Mr HENRY
PRINCE TENNANT to Sign the
Name of our Firm at FOOCHEW.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, December 15, 1879. de22

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr. C. BRAUN in our Firm, CEASED
on the 23rd September A.C.
Mr. C. STIEBEL is authorized to SIGN
our Firm.

REISS & Co.,

Hongkong, Shanghai, Yokohama.

Hongkong, October 3, 1879. ja3

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has established him-
self at the Premises formerly occupied
by LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co., Peddar's
Wharf, as

**AUCTIONEER, APPRAISER
AND
COMMISSION AGENT.**
All GOODS intrusted for SALE will be
fully covered by FIRE INSURANCE.

G. R. LAMMERT.

Hongkong, July 1, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD
OF UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
RECORD OF AMERICAN AND FOREIGN
SHIPPING.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Agents,
Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879. 3ae60

NOTICES.

VICTORIA REGATTA.
TWENTY-FOURTH MEETING.

SECOND DAY.

Saturday, 20th December, 1879.
FIRST RACE.—1 P.M.—For Gigs pulled by
European Non-Commissioned Officers
and Men of any Regiment or Corps in
Garrison, or by European Members of the
Police Force. Distance One Mile.
Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15 ; Second, \$5.
Winner of Second Race on first day and Outrigged Boats ex-
cluded.

SECOND RACE.—1.30 P.M.—For House
Boats and Gigs pulled by Chinamen.
Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1.
First Prize, \$15 ; Second, \$5. Winner of Sixth Race on first day excluded.
Time for Oars, 6 seconds per Oar.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
Established A.D. 1841.
香港大藥房
A. S. WATSON & Co.,
FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,
IMPORTERS
OF
DRUGGISTS' SUPPLIES, NURSERY REQUIRE-
MENTS, TOILET REQUISITES, ENGLISH,
AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PATENT
MEDICINES.
MANUFACTURERS
OF
Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water,
Gingerade, Potash Water, Sarsaparilla
Water, and other Aerated Waters.

The Manufactory is under direct and continuous European Supervision.

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

MARRIAGE.
On the 19th Inst., at St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, by the Rev. W. L. Groves, Owen Edward Page, of Warrington, Warwickshire, to MARTHA MARY, Daughter of John Harfield, Isleworth, Middlesex.

The publication of this issue commenced at 9.00 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DEC. 19, 1879.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next FRENCH MAIL may be expected to arrive on or about Wednesday next, the 24th, by the M. steamer.

We are informed that the S. S. Breconshire, from London, leaves Singapore to-day for Hongkong.

We would remind the public of Miss Elda May's Farewell to the East to-morrow night. This popular artiste should have a good house; it is the best way the public have of saying good night.

The annual general meeting of the Shareholders of the Club Lusitano was held last night at the Club for the purpose of electing the Committee for the ensuing year, with the following result. For the General Management Committee—Messrs J. A. do Remedios (Chairman), F. J. V. Jorge, C. Dauenberg, J. L. S. Alves, J. P. da Costa. For the Finance Committee—Messrs M. C. do Rozario and P. A. da Costa. For the Auditors: Messrs A. F. Alves and L. A. do Rozario. At the termination of the proceedings Mr J. P. da Costa proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring Committee, alluding especially to the services rendered by Mr A. G. Romano, the Chairman, who had with the utmost zeal looked after the interest of the institution during the two years of his presidency; and Mr M. C. do Rozario introduced the name of Mr J. M. O. Lima, who in the capacity of Hon. Secretary and under other commissions had been connected with the Club for many years. This Social Club is in a prosperous condition. Its premises are being thoroughly altered, cleaned and repaired. The shareholders finding the Theatre not of much use now-a-days have sold it for \$10,400, thus reducing to a great extent the incumbrances of the Society. The Club, under the management of the new Committee, will, we trust, continue to do well; our Portuguese friends no doubt will always avail of it as a resort for amusement and pleasant gatherings as hitherto.

Attached to the Club there is a well-replenished Library, consisting of upwards of 4000 valuable works of Portuguese Classics, besides many foreign books and periodicals.

YESTERDAY, about 12 o'clock noon, a portion of the roof of one of Messrs Sassoon's godowns at Wanchai fell in with a terrific crash. The building is situated to the eastward of, and immediately adjoining the Staff Sergeants' Quarters at Spring Gardens, being separated only by a boundary wall with a surface channel on each side. Five small buildings on the War Department ground, used as cook-houses and servants' quarters, were completely destroyed by the broken rafters, tiling, and granite pillars from the fallen roof. Luckily none of these houses were occupied at the time, an old man with his two children had only left one them a couple of minutes before the crash came; had they been in the room nothing short of a miracle could have saved them. About five years ago a portion of the same roof fell in, and on that being renewed the whole was overhauled, and what necessary repairs were wanted were attended to, but the inevitable white ant is a most persistent and successful worker, and seldom fails at some time or other, and generally at an unexpected moment, to shew signs of his presence.

Two more of the four mills which stopped on the failure of their secretary and treasurer, Nurse Kensojee—the New Fleming and the New Alexandra Mills—have been sold, the former to Mr Dinshaw Maneekie Petit for ten-and-a-half lakhs, and the latter to Mr Elias David Sassoon for six lakhs and a half. Times of India.

A NUMBER of the natives of Eastern Bengal have memorialized Sir Ashley Eden, requesting the favour of being permitted, by public notification, "to adopt the European custom of uncovering the head in token of respect, in durbars, courts of justice, and all other official occasions and places."

THE TEMPERANCE HALL. INAUGURATION OF THE NEW PREMISES.

The Concert inaugurating the new Temperance Hall, Fletcher's Buildings, was held last night, and was a very successful meeting. The audience was a considerable one, and the programme one of excellent merit. H. E. the Governor occupied the chair, supported by the Rev. J. Henderson. In opening the proceedings the Governor said he had great pleasure in being present, his presence an head of the Government associating to a certain extent the Government of the Colony with this undertaking. He had been a Temperance man all his life, and was at one time a member of one of Father Mathew's Societies. He had seen the benefits of Temperance in various parts of the world to which his career had called him. As an instance of such benefits he mentioned an old Prince of Borneo who lived to the age of 113 and never tasted wine or spirits, nor yet tea or coffee; it was fair to mention he ate a new-laid alligator's egg every morning (Laughter). He (the speaker) had thought it due to himself to also try an alligator's egg, and he might be able some 50 or 60 years hence to testify to its beneficial effects on the human frame. He also referred to Lord Palmerston, whom he used to have; the honour of meeting in the tea-room of the House of Commons. He was a temperate man, they knew his career in public life, his mental and political abilities; he preserved all his faculties in all their keenness to a considerable old age. Having justified his presence here, and his interest in the success of the subjects of the Temperance Hall, he turned to the programme. The programme, which we gave the other day, was admirably gone through, encores being given to several of the performances.

VICTORIA REGATTA.

TWENTY-FOURTH MEETING.

Patron:—His Excellency JOHN POPE HENNESSY, C.M.G.
Vice-Patron:—His Excellency Major-General DONOVAN, His Excellency Vice-Admiral COOTE, C.B., R.N., Commodore SMITH, R.N.

Stewards:—Hon. W. KESWICK, Hon. H. GIBB, W. H. FORBES, Esq., A. MOYER, Esq., Colonel STUART, R.E., Lieut.-Colonel GEDDES, 27th Inniskillings, Captain CLEVELAND, H.M.S. Iron Duke, and H. HOPIUS, Esq.

Committee:—T. JACKSON, Esq. (Chairman), H. E. WODEHOUSE, Esq., E. L. WOODIN, Esq., E. BEART, Esq., W. HYNE, Esq., Dr. CLOUGH, Lieut.-Commander ANNESLEY, R.N., W. VON BONERS, Esq., A. P. MC EWEN, Esq., D. GILLIES, Esq., Lieut. J. A. BENNETT, 27th Regiment, and L. B. FRIEND, Esq. (Hon. Secretary).

Judge:—J. P. MC EWEN, Esq., R.N.

Umpires and Starters:—Rowing, W. HYNE, Esq., and Captain GEARY, R.A. Yachts,—E. BEART, Esq. Open Sailing Boats—E. BURNIE, Esq.

Judge of Sailing Races:—Lieut.-Commodore ANNESLEY, R.N.

FIRST DAY,

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19.

The first day of the Regatta this year has been wonderfully successful, and although the results are not quite so grand as were expected and the details have been neither arranged nor carried out with that accuracy not to say neatness which one would have expected, still the main object has been served of relieving the monotony of life in Victoria, and the community are correspondingly indebted to the Victoria Recreation Club for the treat. The weather could not have been excelled so far as the rowing was concerned, but the sailing and yachting competition were comparative failures, as is shown, owing to the entire absence of a breeze. A slight westerly wind did spring up in the latter part of the afternoon, but too late to allow of a fair and enjoyable contest. These latter competitions are not only of comparatively little interest, but they were concluded at such a late hour as to give us no opportunity of fully reporting them. There were not a few little things to which exception might be taken. We are in no fault-finding humour; but to a newspaper man's mind the axiom that he should devote himself to business first and to pleasure afterwards resolves itself into this:—that he must discharge first the unpleasant duty of pointing out in what the arrangements have failed and then drop into the pleasant task of giving honour to whom honour is due, and saying an appreciative word of those who richly merit it. To begin with, there was no gun on board the Judge's boat when the first race was run, and when the first boat had crossed the line in the first race he had to resort to the primitive method of signalling found in sounding an ear-splitting whistle. There was not, up to the end of the day's proceedings, a stop-watch on board the Judge's boat, although a request had been made early in the day for that article, indispensable to correct recording. The result is that the difference in every case between the first and the second boat is mere eye guess-work, and in no case is any attempt to state the time of the second boat made. The course was kept wonderfully clear, only one intrusion on the way of the Empire's boat being noticeable and that strangely enough Mr. Hennessy's launch, when the interests of the Chinese were in the scale. The P. & O. steamer Malacca, Capt. Woodgate, was, as on previous occasions the Flag-ship, and there every comfort and convenience was provided for those invited to partake of the hospitable arrangements to there made. Tomorrow will be the greater day of the Regatta, and the results of to-day's rowing will be

carefully read with a view to estimating the chances of the two nationalities in the great race of the Season.

The following are the details of the different races:—

FIRST RACE.—1 P.M.—Junior Sculls. For Single Pair Sculling Boats. Entrance \$5. Distance One Mile. Prize, "Broker's Cup." Open to any one who has never won a Sculling Race in China and Japan.

Station No. 1.—Mr. J. Sampson, *May Flower*, White, Blue Border.

Station No. 2.—Lieut. Coker, R.N., *Arrow*, Blue and White.

Station No. 3.—Mr. W. Dunman, *Lady Golightly*, Magenta.

Station No. 4.—Mr. J. Sampson, *May Flower*, White, Blue Border.

Station No. 5.—Lieut. Coker, R.N., *Arrow*, Blue and White.

Station No. 6.—Mr. W. Dunman, *Lady Golightly*, Magenta.

Station No. 7.—Mr. J. Sampson, *May Flower*, White, Blue Border.

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Station No. 9.—Mr. W. Dunman, *Lady Golightly*, Magenta.

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Station No. 11.—Lieut. Coker, R.N., *Arrow*, Blue and White.

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MAILS.

U. S. MAIL LINE.
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH to NEW YORK, via OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF PEKING will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th December, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japanese Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., the 23rd December. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agent.
Hongkong, November 20, 1879. de24

MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE.

THE S. S. TAKASAGO MARU, Capt. Young, due here on or about the 22nd Instant, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 27th Dec., at Day-light.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 6 p.m. of 26th Dec.

No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
To KOBE.....Cabin \$60. Steorage \$15.
YOKOHAMA & } Do. \$75. Do. \$20.
NAGASAKI... } A REDUCTION is made on RETURN CABIN
PASSAGES.

CARGO and PASSENGERS for Nagasaki will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's OFFICES, No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, December 13, 1879. de27



STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-AMPTON, AND LONDON; VIA BOMBAY.

ALSO, BOMBAY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY's Steam-ship PESHAWUR, Captain C. A. WHITE, will leave this on WEDNESDAY, the 31st Instant, at 11 p.m.

Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the direct route. Silk and Valuables will be transferred to the Calcutta steamer at Gallie.

For further Particulars, apply to A. McIVER, Superintendent, Hongkong, December 18, 1879. ja1

Occidental & Oriental Steam Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. GAELIC will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, January 14th, 1880, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers to Japan, the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 13th January. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSENGER TICKETS.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland, Mexican, Central and South American Cargo, should be sent to the Company's Office addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

H. M. BLANCHARD,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, December 4, 1879. ja13

MAILS.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES;

ALSO, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND PORT LOUIS.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 24th December, 1879, at 11 p.m., the Company's S. S. OXUS, Commandant RAFAEL, with MAIL, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until 10 a.m.

Cargo will be received on board until Noon, Specie and Parcels until 2 p.m. on the 24th December, 1879. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-

quired.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, December 18, 1879. dc25

VOYAGE.

TO LET.
THE BASEMENT of HOUSE, No. 4, Praya East, MARINE LOT No. 65 (formerly known as the "Blue Houses,") with possession on 1st January, proximo. Apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, December 1, 1879. ja1

ROSE VILLAS—EAST.

SIX ROOMS, upon BONHAM and ROBINSON ROADS, GAS, WATER, FLOWER and VEGETABLE GARDEN, STABLE and TENNIS LAWN.

Apply to SHARP & DANDY, No. 6, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

TO LET.

A FIRST-CLASS STONE FLOORED GODOWN, situated upon MARINE LOT 10. Possession from 1st December next.

Also,—the TWO HOUSES, Nos. 14 and 16, Stanley Street, now in the occupation of the TEMPERANCE HALL. Possession from 1st December.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED on STORAGE in GODOWNS in PEDDAR'S WHARF BUILDINGS, at Moderate Terms.

Apply to G. R. LAMMERT.

Hongkong, August 9, 1879.

TO LET.

ON MARINE Lot No. 65, FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS.

Apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1879.

INSURANCES.

SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

FIRE AND LIFE.

INSURANCES AGAINST FIRE granted at Current Rates. Considerable Reduction in Premium for LIFE Insurance in China.

MEYER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 2, 1879. 2Jn80

SWISS LLOYD TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERTHUR.

INSURANCES granted on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.

MEYER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 3, 1879. 3Jn80

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up)....Tls. 420,000

PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000

SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 206,370

TOTAL CAPITAL and ACQUAMULATION, 26th April, 1879.Tls. 856,370

Directors.

F. B. FOBBES, Esq., Chairman.

M. W. BOYD, Esq. | W. MEYERINK, Esq.

| C. LUCAS, Esq. | S. D. WEBB, Esq.

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LONDON BRANCH.

Messrs BARING BROTHERS & Co., Bankers.

FULLARTON HENDERSON, Esq., Agent,

8, St. Michael's Alley, Cornhill, E.C.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the World.

Subject to a charge of 12% for Interest on Shareholders' Capital, all the Profits of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS will be annually distributed among all Contributors of Business in proportion to the Premium paid by them.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSENGER TICKETS.

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H. M. BLANCHARD,

Acting Agent.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 1, 1879. 10e80

INSURANCES.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit, are distributed annually to Contributors whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,

Secretary.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang. Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Proposed for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL.—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurance as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or, at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.